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25 April 1988

Mr. David C. Williams  
Director, Office of Special Investigations  
General Accounting Office  
Washington, D.C. 20548

Dear Mr. Williams:

The Director has asked me to respond to your request to interview Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) personnel in connection with the Naval Investigative Service's review of the United States Marine Corps security guards at the United States Embassy in Moscow.

While we understand the reason for your request, it would, nonetheless, be inappropriate for officers of the CIA to discuss the actions of other United States government entities with regard to this investigation. This matter is a matter of oversight and more appropriately belongs in the forum of the intelligence committees. They, in fact, have been involved in reviewing the matter and related issues.

I am sorry that we could not be more helpful in this matter.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

John L. Helgeson  
Director of Congressional Affairs

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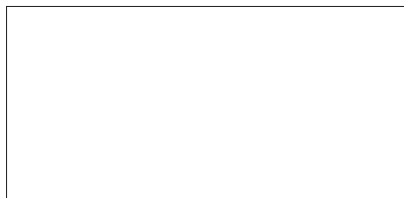
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I did not intend to pre-empt your interest in this GAO business. In exploring how to farm this requirement, I lost a day working with the DO. As you know, we keep GAO at arms' length. Hence, the many info copies.

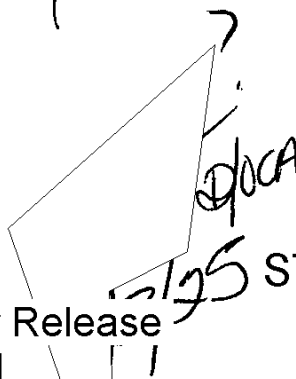
Admiral Gordon from the Naval Investigative Service sees the DCI this afternoon. I wanted to be sure the DCI had this letter before the meeting.



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Remarks To 7: ES has had preliminary discussions with your office. C/CI will prepare a coordinated response to GAO for DCI's signature. Our intent is to work directly with the Naval Investigative Service but avoid GAO interviews of CIA officers.

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Executive Secretary

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March 16, 1988

Mr. William H. Webster  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency

Dear Judge Webster:

The House Committee on Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on International Operations, has requested that the General Accounting Office's Office of Special Investigations (GAO/OSI) investigate the Naval Investigative Service's (NIS) inquiry into suspected espionage by United States Marine Corps security guards at the United States Embassy in Moscow. The committee also requested GAO/OSI to determine (1) the extent of recruitment of Marine Corps security guards by foreign intelligence agencies and (2) the extent of espionage activity on the part of the Marines.

Our investigation has determined that the NIS agents and the Department of State personnel who were involved with the initial stages of the espionage investigation had professional contact with personnel of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). It is critical to our investigation that we be able to trace the flow of information from one agency to another so that we can report accurately to the committee as to the efficacy of the investigation conducted by NIS. We would appreciate your cooperation in this matter by making available for interview the CIA personnel who contacted the NIS and anyone else who has pertinent knowledge of this investigation.

Please contact Supervisory Special Agent Pat Noble at 272-5536 or Special Agent Thomas Blatchford at 272-5500 concerning this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David C. Williams".

David C. Williams  
Director





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4. The meeting took place on Monday, 21 December. [redacted]

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5. I asked Mr. Buckley how this fit in with what NIS had told the PSI. He said that he could not say without reviewing PSI records. [redacted]

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